

Same as Method 6C, Sections 2.1 and 2.2, except that the span of the monitoring system shall be selected such that the average O₂ or CO₂ concentration is not less than 20 percent of the span.

3. Definitions

3.1 Measurement System. The total equipment required for the determination of the O₂ or CO₂ concentration. The measurement system consists of the same major subsystems as defined in Method 6C, Sections 3.1.1, 3.1.2, and 3.1.3.

3.2 Span, Calibration Gas, Analyzer Calibration Error, Sampling System Bias, Zero Drift, Calibration Drift, Response Time, and Calibration Curve. Same as Method 6C, Sections 3.2 through 3.8, and 3.10.

3.3 Interference Response. The output response of the measurement system to a component in the sample gas, other than the gas component being measured.

4. Measurement System Performance Specifications

Same as Method 6C, Sections 4.1 through 4.4.

5. Apparatus and Reagents

5.1 Measurement System. Any measurement system for O₂ or CO₂ that meets the specifications of this method. A schematic of an acceptable measurement system is shown in Figure 6C-1 of Method 6C. The essential components of the measurement system are described below:

5.1.1 Sample Probe. A leak-free probe, of sufficient length to traverse the sample points.

5.1.2 Sample Line. Tubing, to transport the sample gas from the probe to the moisture removal system. A heated sample line is not required for systems that measure the O₂ or CO₂ concentration on a dry basis, or transport dry gases.

5.1.3 Sample Transport Line, Calibration Value Assembly, Moisture Removal System, Particulate Filter, Sample Pump, Sample Flow Rate Control, Sample Gas Manifold, and Data Recorder. Same as Method 6C, Sections 5.1.3 through 5.1.9, and 5.1.11, except that the requirements to use stainless steel, Teflon, and nonreactive glass filters do not apply.

5.1.4 Gas Analyzer. An analyzer to determine continuously the O₂ or CO₂ concentration in the sample gas stream. The analyzer shall meet the applicable performance specifications of Section 4. A means of controlling the analyzer flow rate and a device for determining proper sample flow rate (e.g., precision rotameter, pressure gauge downstream of all flow controls, etc.) shall be provided at the analyzer. The requirements for measuring and controlling the analyzer flow rate are not applicable if data are presented that demonstrate the analyzer is insensitive to

flow variations over the range encountered during the test.

5.2 Calibration Gases. The calibration gases for CO₂ analyzers shall be CO₂ in N₂ or CO₂ in air. Alternatively, CO₂/SO₂, O₂/SO₂, or O₂/CO₂/SO₂ gas mixtures in N₂ may be used. Three calibration gases, as specified Section 5.3.1 through 5.3.3 of Method 6C, shall be used. For O₂ monitors that cannot analyze zero gas, a calibration gas concentration equivalent to less than 10 percent of the span may be used in place of zero gas.

6. Measurement System Performance Test Procedures

Perform the following procedures before measurement of emissions (Section 7).

6.1 Calibration Concentration Verification. Follow Section 6.1 of Method 6C, except if calibration gas analysis is required, use Method 3 and change the acceptance criteria for agreement among Method 3 results to 5 percent (or 0.2 percent by volume, whichever is greater).

6.2 Interference Response. Conduct an interference response test of the analyzer prior to its initial use in the field. Thereafter, recheck the measurement system if changes are made in the instrumentation that could alter the interference response (e.g., changes in the type of gas detector). Conduct the interference response in accordance with Section 5.4 of Method 20.

6.3 Measurement System Preparation, Analyzer Calibration Error, and Sampling System Bias Check. Follow Sections 6.2 through 6.4 of Method 6C.

7. Emission Test Procedure

7.1 Selection of Sampling Site and Sampling Points. Select a measurement site and sampling points using the same criteria that are applicable to tests performed using Method 3.

7.2 Sample Collection. Position the sampling probe at the first measurement point, and begin sampling at the same rate as used during the sampling system bias check. Maintain constant rate sampling (i.e., ± 10 percent) during the entire run. The sampling time per run shall be the same as for tests conducted using Method 3 plus twice the system response time. For each run, use only those measurements obtained after twice the response time of the measurement system has elapsed to determine the average effluent concentration.

7.3 Zero and Calibration Drift Test. Follow Section 7.4 of Method 6C.

8. Quality Control Procedures

The following quality control procedures are recommended when the results of this method are used for an emission rate correction factor, or excess air determination. The tester should select one of the following options for validating measurement results:

8.1 If both O₂ and CO₂ are measured using Method 3A, the procedures described in Section 4.4 of Method 3 should be followed to validate the O₂ and CO₂ measurement results.

8.2 If only O₂ is measured using Method 3A, measurements of the sample stream CO₂ concentration should be obtained at the sample by-pass vent discharge using an Orsat or Fyrite analyzer, or equivalent. Duplicate samples should be obtained concurrent with at least one run. Average the duplicate Orsat or Fyrite analysis results for each run. Use the average CO₂ values for comparison with the O₂ measurements in accordance with the procedures described in Section 4.4 of Method 3.

8.3 If only CO₂ is measured using Method 3A, concurrent measurements of the sample stream CO₂ concentration should be obtained using an Orsat or Fyrite analyzer as described in Section 8.2. For each run, differences greater than 0.5 percent between the Method 3A results and the average of the duplicate Fyrite analysis should be investigated.

9. Emission Calculation

For all CO₂ analyzers, and for O₂ analyzers that can be calibrated with zero gas, follow Section 8 of Method 6C, except express all concentrations as percent, rather than ppm.

For O₂ analyzers that use a low-level calibration gas in place of a zero gas, calculate the effluent gas concentration using Equation 3A-1.

$$C_{\text{gas}} = \frac{C_{\text{ma}} - C_{\text{oa}}}{C_{\text{m}} - C_{\text{o}}} (\bar{C} - C_{\text{m}}) + C_{\text{ma}} \quad \text{Eq. 3A-1}$$

Where:

C_{gas}=Effluent gas concentration, dry basis, percent.

C_{ma}=Actual concentration of the upscale calibration gas, percent.

C_{oa}=Actual concentration of the low-level calibration gas, percent.

C_m=Average of initial and final system calibration bias check responses for the upscale calibration gas, percent.

C_o=Average of initial and final system calibration bias check responses for the low-level gas, percent.

\bar{C} =Average gas concentration indicated by the gas analyzer, dry basis, percent.

10. Bibliography

Same as bibliography of Method 6C.

METHOD 3B—GAS ANALYSIS FOR THE DETERMINATION OF EMISSION RATE CORRECTION FACTOR OR EXCESS AIR

NOTE: This method does not include all of the specifications (*e.g.*, equipment and supplies) and procedures (*e.g.*, sampling) essential to its performance. Some material is incorporated by reference from other methods in this part. Therefore, to obtain reliable results, persons using this method should have a thorough knowledge of at least the following additional test methods: Method 1 and 3.

1.0 Scope and Application

1.1 Analytes.

Analyte	CAS No.	Sensitivity
Oxygen (O ₂)	7782-44-7	2,000 ppmv.
Carbon Dioxide (CO ₂)	124-38-9	2,000 ppmv.
Carbon Monoxide (CO)	630-08-0	N/A.

1.2 Applicability. This method is applicable for the determination of O₂, CO₂, and CO concentrations in the effluent from fossil-fuel combustion processes for use in excess air or emission rate correction factor calculations. Where compounds other than CO₂, O₂, CO, and nitrogen (N₂) are present in concentrations sufficient to affect the results, the calculation procedures presented in this method must be modified, subject to the approval of the Administrator.

1.3 Other methods, as well as modifications to the procedure described herein, are

also applicable for all of the above determinations. Examples of specific methods and modifications include: (1) A multi-point sampling method using an Orsat analyzer to analyze individual grab samples obtained at each point, and (2) a method using CO₂ or O₂ and stoichiometric calculations to determine excess air. These methods and modifications may be used, but are subject to the approval of the Administrator.